

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Eternal Triangle

There is an eternal triangle in economics, said The Economist in a recent article; everybody always wants brimful employment, free collective bargaining and stable prices. It adds truthfully; but although a community can choose any two it cannot have all three at once, certainly not in full measure.

At present Britain prefers the first two—that is why there is more inflation there than in any other part of the world. The rise in retail prices since the war has been faster than in any previous extended peace-time period since the end of the Napoleonic wars. That is why sterling is weak at home and abroad. And as long as it insists on having no unemployment (it is less than one per cent of the total labour force against four per cent in America) and complete freedom to bargain for wage increases, both in an absolute form, there will be no lasting solution to the current economic crisis.

TODAY, two events of importance take place which have as their chief interest this perplexing problem. The Trades Union Congress, representing eight million workers, meets in Southport for its annual conference. And the Cabinet meets in Downing Street. The two meetings approach the problem from opposing standpoints. And it is this gulf separating Government and Labour that is largely responsible for present inaction and the worsening economic situation.

Labour refuses to consider any suggestion of a self-imposed "wage freeze." It blames the Government for inflation, charging that it has produced no "positive plan to keep prices down." Unions are demanding higher wages, it says, only because they are forced to keep wages in line with rising costs and maintaining existing living standards.

The fallacy of this argument should be apparent to all. What the majority in the Trades Union movement refuses to acknowledge is that not only is production lagging, but that price increases also have fallen a good way behind rising wages, and that the Union policy of pursuing excessive claims and insisting on full employment has largely brought about galloping inflation.

MR Tiffin makes a refreshing admission today when he wonders whether wage claims "with the lid off" are going to secure a "life of comfort and security for the worker." It is a question every union leader should be asking himself. Unless they do there are going to be some unpleasant consequences for the workers and the country.

At the other end of the problem, Government is apt to blame Labour for having "no positive plan to keep wages down." True, Mr Butler has gone only half way in dealing with the inflation problem. Perhaps he would prefer spontaneous action by Labour to carry out the other half. That would be preferable. But if it refuses, Mr Butler can no longer delay at least a further increase in the bank rate.

SIR OSCAR Hobson in the latest issue of the National Provincial Bank Review supports this widely-held belief. Inflation, he says, is a condition and accompaniment of full employment, but there is no risk that a real effort to end it would involve heavy unemployment. He adds: the small increase in unemployment that would arise is not likely to be any greater than the risk that "we risk anyhow if we pursue our present course."

The Trades Unions should also bear that in mind. These are the realities they must face.

LONDON DEMONSTRATION

Returned The Briefcase, Minus Money

Paris, Sept. 4. Police were today seeking an unidentified woman, believed to be British, who hired a Paris taxi last week a few minutes after a French businessman left a briefcase with 97,000 francs (about £978) on the back seat.

The woman, speaking with a strong English accent, handed the briefcase to the taxidriver as she got out at St Lazare railway station, terminus for Cross-Channel services.

When the owner, M. Michel Lorhois, collected the briefcase from the police he discovered that the money and a bundle of business correspondence were missing.

The taxidriver said the woman was about 30 and wore a pleated blue skirt and black blouse.—China Mail "Special."

Missing— Balloon, 20 Miles Up In The Sky

Minneapolis, Sept. 4. A "runaway" balloon carrying "priceless" research data floated more than 20 miles above the earth's surface for the fourth day today and researchers could only "wait it out."

The huge plastic balloon, launched on Thursday with a load of live mice and guinea pigs for a cosmic ray test, remained about 10,000 feet in the air and scientists said there was no way to tell how long it would stay aloft.

The gondola carrying the animals and scientific instruments was to have parachuted back to earth late Thursday, but a timing device apparently failed and the gondola was not released.

LIMITED SUPPLY

Otto Winzen, president of Winzen Research Inc., which launched the 25-story-tall balloon from International Falls, Minnesota, said he was sure the 15 mice and guinea pigs in the gondola were now dead because their oxygen had run out. They had enough food, he said, but the oxygen supply was limited.

But he said researchers desperately wanted to recover the instruments because they would furnish priceless information about cosmic rays.

The firm has been making the balloon tests for the Air Force in order to learn what dangers may be encountered some day by human beings travelling in space.

GLOWS LIKE STAR

The balloon, which can only be tracked visually, was being watched by weather bureaus and ground observer corps in three States—Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. The balloon glowed like a star during the night.

What Mr Winzen feared most was that the weather would become cloudy and the observers would not be able to track it. He also feared that when the balloon finally descends to an altitude where there is wind it may be blown out to sea and lost. He said there was no way to get the balloon down—it is too high to be shot at. It must come down eventually, he said. The question is—when and where.—United Press.

BOATS CAPSIZE

Buenos Aires, Sept. 4. Twenty-six people, mostly women, are feared to have been drowned when two boats, carrying pilgrims, capsized in the River Ganges today.

The boats had a total of 52 people on board and 26 were rescued. No bodies have yet been recovered.—China Mail "Special."

Turks Protest Against Enosis

London, Sept. 4. Cypriot Turks and their supporters massed here today to demand the continuance of British rule in Cyprus and proclaim their opposition to the Enosis (union with Greece) movement.

Nearly 4,000 Turks jammed Trafalgar Square in the heart of London and cheered speakers from Cyprus and Turkey who described Enosis as a movement used by a handful of adventurers to poison public opinion in Britain, Greece and the rest of the world.

Led by men and women dressed in Turkish national costumes and flanked by standard bearers carrying the Turkish national flag and handpainted slogans, more than 2,000 Turks marched through the heart of London to the Square.

UNANIMOUSLY OPPOSED

In the Square, with its thousands of tame pigeons fluttering above the crowd, the leaders of the procession climbed upon the plinth at the foot of Nelson's column to appeal for support for Cypriot Turks through booming loudspeakers which drew thousands of Sunday afternoon strollers and sightseers to the meeting.

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THE ARGENTINA SITUATION

Quiet Weekend With Political Undercurrents

Buenos Aires, Sept. 4. The weekend brought Argentina one of the quietest 48-hour periods of recent weeks in the wake of the events leading to declaration of a state of siege in the country.

The attractive weekend sports and horse racing programme helped make citizens forget the state of siege, which went into effect on Saturday.

A single ripple occurred in the political situation when the small minority of Radical Deputies and Senators in Cordoba, accounting for about one-third of the provincial chamber, decided to boycott sessions of the legislature from now on because of "the gravity of the latest Presidential speech." But the announcement in Cordoba brought an immediate reaction from the Radical Party's Directing Committee in Buenos Aires, which in a resolution to affect all Radical Representatives must continue to attend sessions throughout the country.

MANIFESTATIONS

The Radical Party's action came as a result of President Peron's Wednesday night speech when he told his followers to turn on their opponents and answer violence with greater violence." He said: "Five of them will fall for every one of us."

There were other manifestations of the situation as it was changed by the President's toughest speech in ten years.

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EMPLOYMENT RECORD

Washington, Sept. 4. The US set another employment record in August, when some 65,500,000 Americans had jobs, the Department of Labour announced today.

It was the third consecutive month in which the number of men and women at work exceeded previous months, with unemployment dropping about 250,000 from July, when the government reported 5,472,000 persons were looking for jobs.—Reuter.

More Arrests In China

London, Sept. 4. Peking Radio reported today that security officers in the Hunan and Kwantung provinces of China had arrested the members of a "counter-revolutionary group who had won their way to power on Wednesday night, when President Peron was speaking to end the political strike.

In the city of Eva Peron, group of unidentified men were involved in two disorders last night. "One gang" of men invaded a dance hall at 2 a.m., creating disturbances when they annoyed patrons. When the men tried to force a dancing girl to leave with them, the patrons protested and several shots were fired at them. One man, and two women were wounded, but the gang members escaped. Another group entered a coffee shop in the centre of the city. A patron who protested when they drank the coffee served at his table was knocked down by blows.

The radio, which did not say how many were arrested, said they were criminals who had been hunted for a long time in the Kiangsu, Shantung, Honan and Anhwei provinces.

Only 300 of the 400 horsemen of the Smala tribe, responsible for the Oued Zem massacres,

gave themselves up and abandoned their weapons on August 26, when their Cossacks asked for the traditional "Amman" or pardon from the French regional commander.

DETONATORS STOLEN

After the symbolic surrender of the other Smala tribesmen took to the hills.

The French forces are searching not only for the tribesmen

French Troops Seek Rebel Tribesmen

Oued Zem, Sept. 4. A large force of French security troops, including 7,000 infantrymen, armoured cars and reconnaissance aircraft, launched a vast mopping-up operation at dawn today in an attempt to track down the tribesmen responsible for the August 20 massacres at Oued Zem.

The operation is to cover an area of 1,200 square kilometres, northeast of Oued Zem, and is expected to last until tomorrow evening or later.

This morning, through a thick fog, the French troops combed the mountains and woods from east to west and back again, steadily advancing in the direction

responsible for the massacres but also for 10,000 soldiers stolen on August 20 when the tribesmen sacked the Ait Amar mines north of Oued Zem. During the first French operation in the Oued Zem region between August 24 and 26 (which ended in the "Amman" surrender) troops were ordered to destroy abandoned nomad camps and confiscate livestock.

On the other hand, the current operation has no character of collective repression. The troops this time are ordered to search the camps for arms and objects stolen at Oued Zem and Ait Amar, but not to destroy tents or modest livestock, women or children.

All able-bodied men between the ages of 15 and 60 found in the nomad camps are sent to the civil authorities for questioning and are immediately released if they are found to be free of suspicion.

The troops have received orders to open fire only on suspects who try to flee after being arrested.

Latest reports insight, said the operation had moved south over a hundred nomads arrested at least 15 had been held, strongly suspected of being involved in the massacres.

Among the suspects arrested today was a hairy Moroccan disguised as a woman and complete with a Muslim veil. He had made a good job of his disguise, was wearing false breasts and carrying a small baby.—France-Press.

CLASHES IN ALGERIA

Constantine, Sept. 4. Three rebels were killed and three captured in an engagement between Algerian volunteers and 50 rebels at Darris, near Constantine today.

Two Algerian volunteers were killed and four wounded. Eight kilometres south, legonnaires injured six rebels in a skirmish.

Terrorists murdered six Algerians in widely scattered parts of the Constantine Department during Saturday night.—Reuter.

RUBY M. AYRES

Weybridge, Surrey, Sept. 4. The condition of Ruby M. Ayres, 72-year-old novelist, in a nursing home here was said to day to be "fairly comfortable."

The writer is down with pneumonia.—China Mail Special.

Support Peron Demonstration



Shouting women, carrying placards and waving handkerchiefs join the demonstration in the Plaza Mayo, Buenos Aires, in support of General Peron, after he had offered to resign the presidency last week.—United Press Photo.

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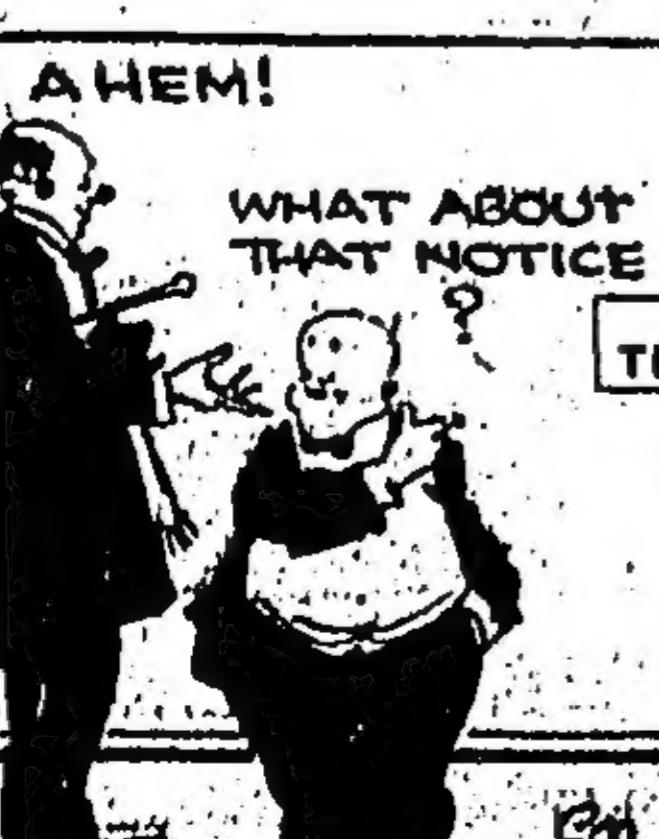
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Karachi, Sept. 4. All newspapers here today published a cryptic announcement from the District Magistrate, declaring that a "state of tension exists among the people of Karachi, which endangers public peace and tranquillity."

He banned the assembly of more than four people and the carrying of weapons for a month "to prevent disturbance of public order and peace."

Neither the Magistrate, Mr. Z. A. Hashmi, who is responsible for law and order, nor any of the newspapers offered the slightest explanation. According to a usually reliable source, however, there is grave risk of conflict between the Shia and Sunni sects of Moslems.

The Sunnis allege the Shias have kidnapped children for human sacrifice during the religious festival of Muharram, now in its 10th day. A Shia was caught in Qalabat in Kurnool on August 25 while believed to be abducting a boy belonging to the Sunni sect. A crowd gathered suspecting he was a would-be kidnapper and attacked a Shia mosque. An unconfirmed report said 70 to 80 people were injured in the fighting after which about 100 arrests were made.

Silent

Local residents this week-end confirmed there had been fighting and arrests, but it was impossible to check the figures as the authorities have been silent about the affair.

According to one source, about a quarter of Karachi's police force has been concentrated in the area ever since, with the aim of localising any fresh outbreak of violence.

All seemed quiet at Qalabat today but many policemen patrolled among the mud huts in which many thousands of people live in over crowded conditions.

There were three police lorries, one radio-equipped, parked on high ground overlooking the huts.

The tombs of Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah, founder of Pakistan and Liaquat Ali Khan, its first Prime Minister who was assassinated, are at this spot.

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RUSSIANS BYPASS TORONTO

Toronto, Vineland, Sept. 4. The Soviet Agriculture delegation now touring Canada announced today that it would bypass Toronto because of unfavourable reports of the reception it would be given in the Ontario capital.

The delegation will go from the Niagara peninsula direct to Ottawa.

This announcement was made by the leader of the group, First Deputy Minister of the Supreme Soviet, Vladimir Matalovich Matalovich, at a press conference in Vineland, where the delegation stayed last night.

He said the delegation had noted the reports in Toronto that a group of new Canadians intended to demonstrate against the Russians, and that Toronto civic authorities were going to ignore the Russians. — United Press.

Washington, Sept. 4.

The International Co-operation Administration announced today that it has allocated \$5,000,000 to India to pay for equipment for the Rihand Valley Development Project. Included will be electrical apparatus, engines and turbines, machine tools, construction equipment and ocean transportation. — United Press.

JP Institutes Own Speed Limit

Wellington, Sept. 4. In New Zealand's far south, the township of Moeraki is openly backing its local Justice of the Peace who has decided to defy the law.

When Mr. Gordon Macauley could not get the traffic department to do anything about erecting 30-mile-an-hour speed restriction notices through the town, he decided to build his

own. Moeraki, a township of less than 250 people, is on the scenic motor drive through the Eglington Valley to the famed Milford Sound. Cars speeding through the village at 50 miles an hour and more were a menace to the inhabitants, he claimed.

Step Further

Some time last year one enterprising resident painted a large "30" on the road followed by "or a £5 fine." That didn't seem to have much effect on the speeding motorists either. Six weeks ago, Mr. Macauley went a step further. He painted two 30 mph signs which were replicas of the official ones and posted them at either end of the township.

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Businessmen Become Hon. Colonels

Nairobi, Sept. 4. The general manager of a dairy and a former are among four prominent Kenya citizens who have been appointed by the Queen to be honorary colonels of Kenyan battalions of the King's African Rifles.

They are: Lieutenant-Colonel W. D. Bradford, general manager of the Kenya Co-operative Creameries and Brigadier P. S. Myburgh, a farmer.

Also promoted to the rank of hon. colonel are Lieutenant-Colonel Michael Blundell, European minister without portfolio and Major-General C. C. Fowkes, chairman of the Kenya Roads Authority. — China Mail Special.

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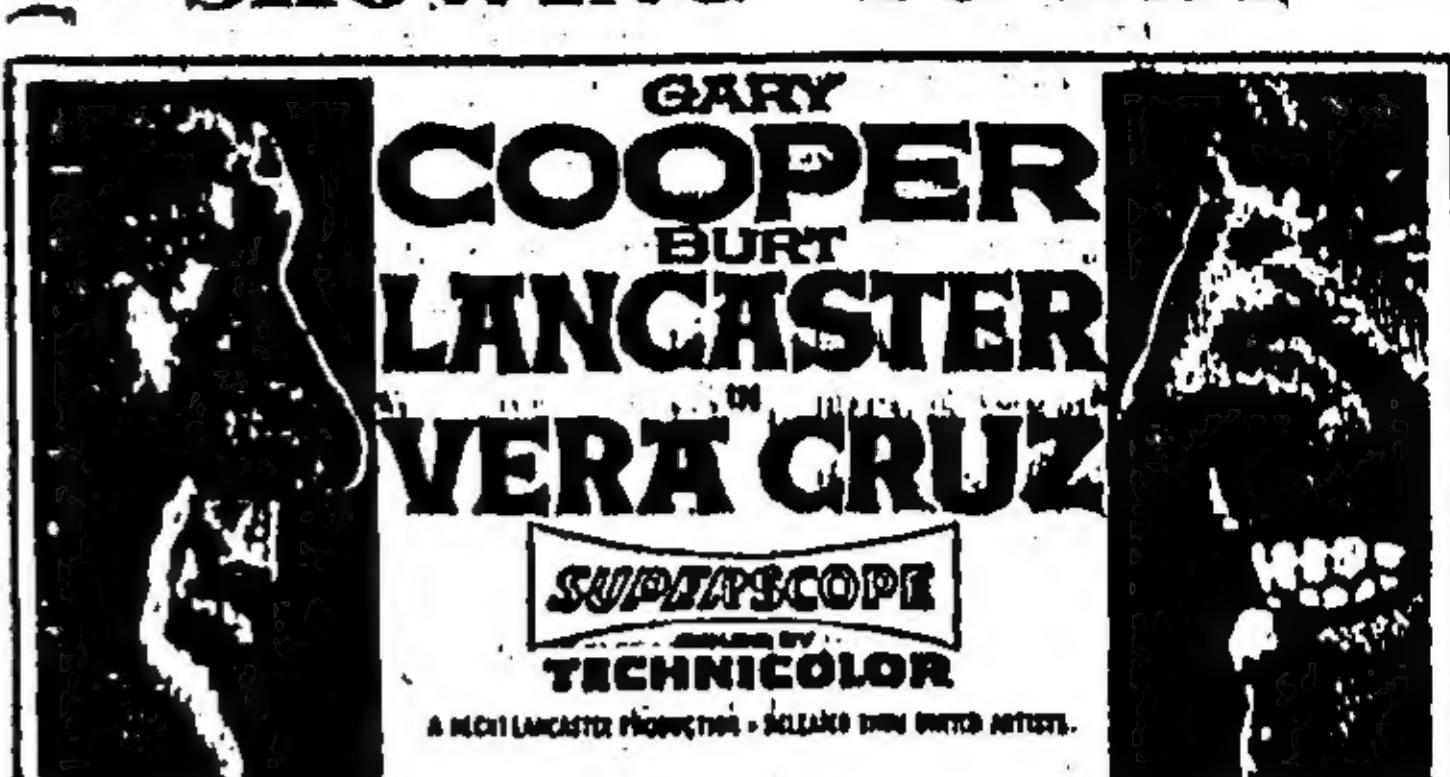
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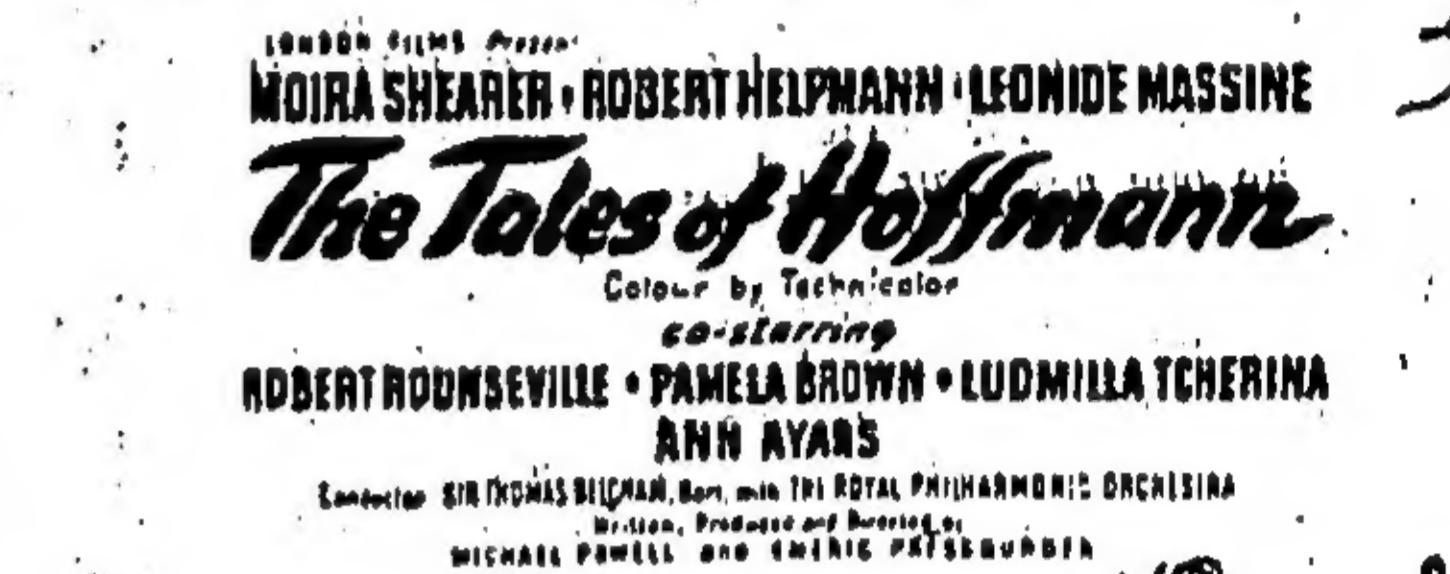
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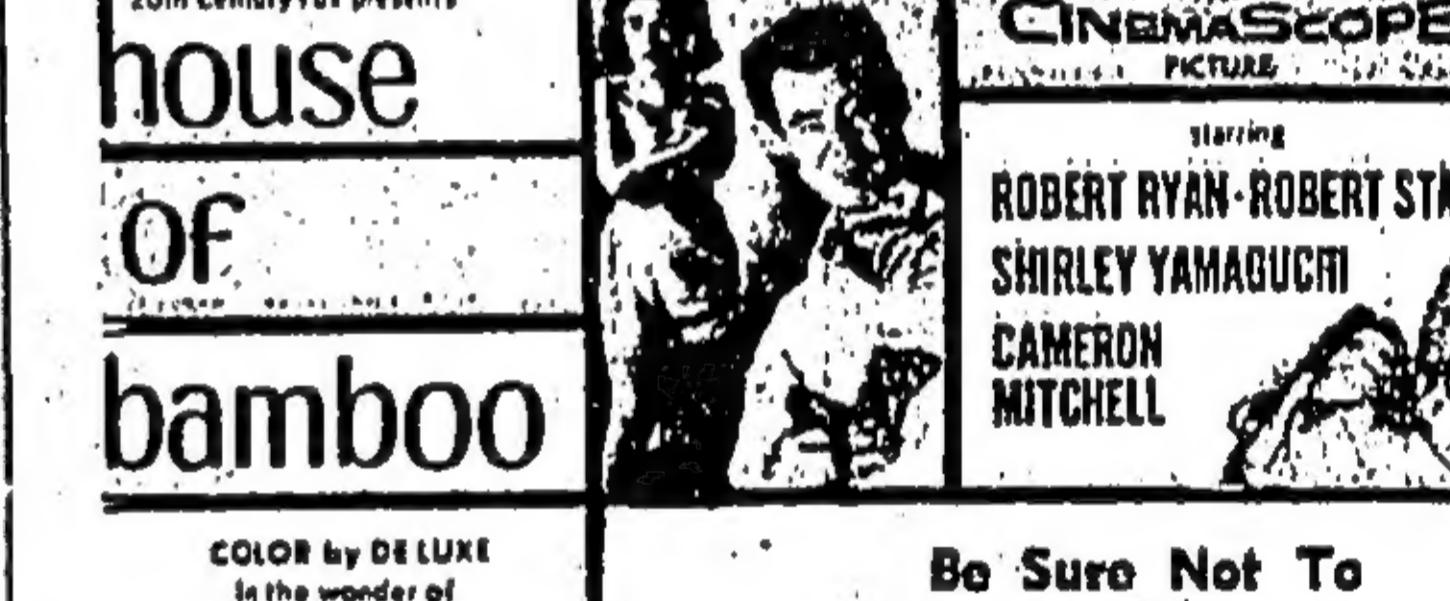


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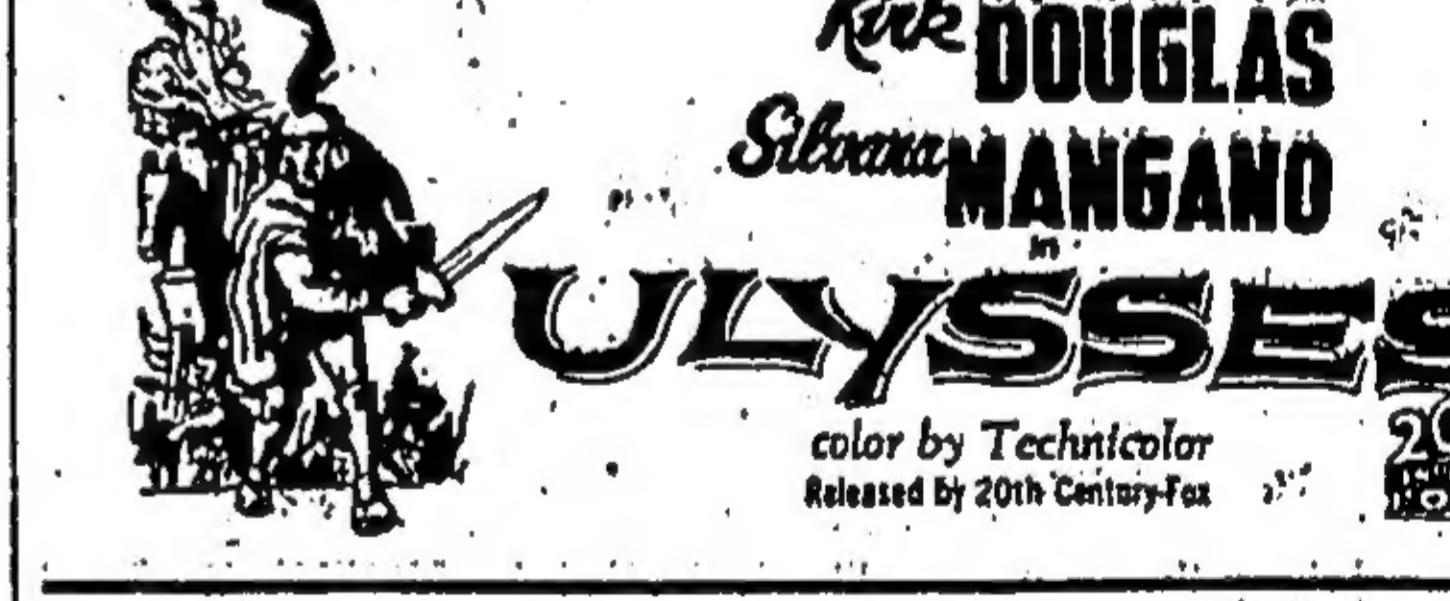


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THE FAMILY HOSPITAL

Perth, W.A., Sept. 4. Injured timber worker E. McDonald taken to Kinselton hospital had his stepfather in the next ward, his wife, in the women's ward and his aunt in the kitchen—where she is cook.

Staff could not keep McDonald's dog Skipper away. If put outside he would find another way in to curl up again under his master's bed.—China Mail Special.

BELOW ZERO DIVERS

Ottawa, Sept. 4. Exploits of Royal Canadian Navy diving teams in waters far inland were disclosed in August by publication of official commendations for diver teams from HMCS Naden, Esquimalt, B.C.

An aircraft, an RCAF jet trainer, T33, had crashed into Lake Winnipeg, 13 miles off shore from Gimli, Manitoba. Naval divers summoned from the Pacific coast found that the plane had been smashed almost to atoms, the largest fragment being 2 feet square.

Difficulties were formidable, with temperatures below zero, four feet of ice on the surface of the lake and seven feet of mud at the bottom. Altogether, divers spent 60 hours on the muddy bottom, making a total of 24 dives, averaging two and a half hours per dive.

Raked Up

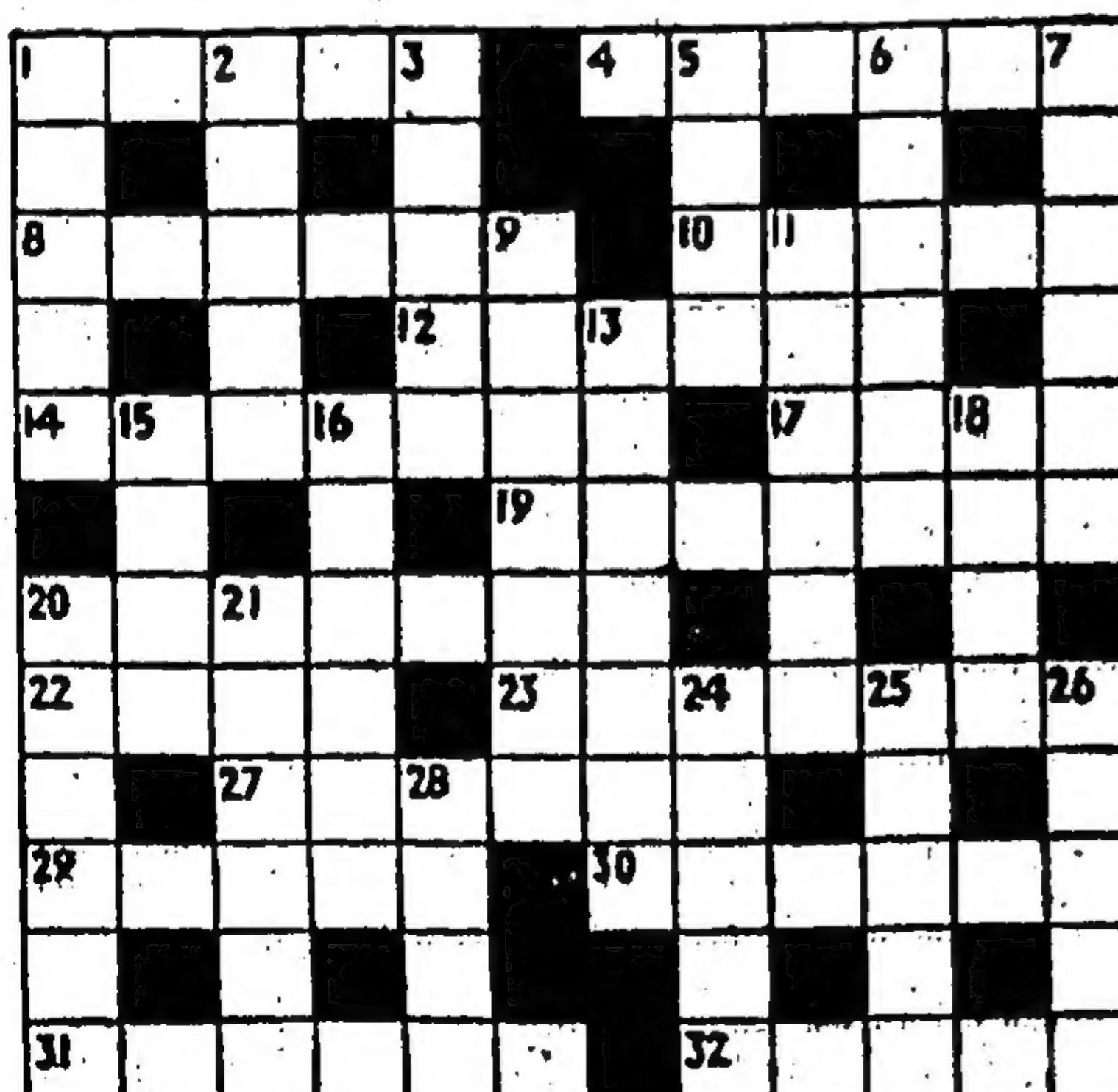
They succeeded in bringing up 2,000 pounds of fragments, raked up with hand-rakes and brought to the surface in wire baskets.

The second exploit took place in the search for remains of a Harvard Trainer aircraft which fell into Lake Newell, near Brooks, Alberta.

In this case, Alberta's famous "Chinook" winds coming across a gap in the Rockies and producing sudden thaws, made operations more difficult, by piling up ice.

High pressure underwater hoses were used by the Naden divers to free the plane's fragments from the muddy bottom with its twelve feet of "oily slime."—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
1. Broadside (5).
4. Combat (6).
8. Trumpeter (6).
10. Change of direction (6).
12. Part of the eye (6).
14. Liberate (7).
17. Object of worship (4).
19. Rugs (7).
20. Legislator (7).
22. Accustomed (4).
23. Meat ball (7).
27. Unruffled (6).
28. Surpass (6).
30. Free of charge (6).
31. Required (6).
32. Penitent (6).
33. Part (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3. Presumes, 8. Agog, 9. Conposed, 11. Elevates, 13. Iron, 15. Molasses, 16. Electing, 18. Hood, 21. Bombs, 25. Reshapes, 26. Rugs, 27. Shindig, 29. Down, 1. Tide, 2. Dove, 4. Root, 5. Stage, 7. Sodor, 8. Cause, 10. Melts, 12. Lopps, 14. Owned, 16. Sleep, 17. Scale, 18. Hires, 20. Eased, 21. Balm, 22. Man, 23. Root, 24. Stem.

Veto Abolition Wanted

Bangkok, Sept. 4.

Thailand's Foreign Minister, Prince Wan Wanthayakorn, said today that Thailand will urge the United Nations to abolish the veto powers contained in the United Nations constitution. Prince Wan, in a statement to the Press, made during a reception in honour of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the late President Franklin Roosevelt, said abolition of the veto would give an equal chance to the smaller nations of the UN. Thailand would recommend the adoption of the two-thirds majority system instead of the present Franco-German

Bonn, Sept. 4.

THE WEST GERMANS—Bonn
Party demanded in an article, published by its press service today, the re-establishment of the German-Lithuanian border is under Russian rule.

had begun his expansion elsewhere.

The press service article, written by Herr Frank Selbott, a Bundestag (lower house) member, said a future peace treaty would have to settle the fate of the Sudetenland and Memel, which it said, were incorporated into the Reich by agreements good in law. The Sudetenland, which had been annexed, was now under

agreement is now part of Czechoslovakia again. Memel

Aust. Government Has Wrong Outlook Says Dr Evatt

Sydney, Sept. 4. Australia's Federal Opposition leader, Dr Herbert Evatt, said today that the Australian Government's outlook on foreign affairs was "out of step" with the rest of the world.

Dr Evatt was commenting on the proposed approach by Australia to the International Monetary Fund for a dollar loan.

Australians, he said, should not be afraid to plan their economy for peace. The present international situation permitted and indeed required a substantial reduction in defence spending.

He added that the Government of Mr. R. G. Menzies had "a war complex."

"Complete inability to recognise a rapidly changing world situation" was leaving Australia's economy "united to meet the new era of peaceful expansion and constructive endeavour without resort to the artificial prop of external borrowing and a wretched system of pulsing internal finance."—Reuter.



DR. H. V. EVATT

Jap Film Wins Selznick Award

Edinburgh, Sept. 4. A Japanese historical film *Ugetsu Monogatari* was declared winner of the David O. Selznick Golden Laurel Award for 1955 here tonight.

The award was founded in 1949 for the film which has made the greatest contribution to mutual understanding and goodwill in the world.

The award was announced by Mr. Douglas Fairbanks, the American actor, at a gala film performance. He made the presentation to Mr. Matsutaro Kawaguchi, the managing director of the Japanese Production Company.

The winning film features the leading Japanese actress Machiko Kyo.

It was chosen from five finalists by a panel of American experts. The other four films were *Barfoot Battalion* (Greece), *Gate of Hell* (Japan), the *Kidnappers* (Brazil) and *M. Hulot's Holidays* (France). Each of these films received a Golden Laurel medal.

Films made in the United States or by Americans abroad are not eligible for the award.—China Mail Special.

Divorces Almost Equal Marriages

Stockholm, Sept. 4. The divorce and marriage rates in Stockholm will be equal by 1975 if the divorce trend of the past ten years continues, a spokesman for the Family Advice Bureau said here today.

In 1945, there was one divorce for every four marriages, whereas in 1955, the ratio is one in three.

About one-third of all divorces are caused by drunkenness. Only ten per cent are due to infidelity.

Women seek divorces more often than men and in 80 per cent of the divorces in Stockholm, the woman is the plaintiff.

The divorce rate in other parts of Sweden is considerably lower than in Stockholm.—China Mail Special.

New Portrait For Dutch Parliament



Sir Winston Churchill poses at Chartwell and the famous Netherlands artist Max Nauta works on the new portrait of Sir Winston which, when finished, will be hung in the Netherlands Parliament Building. The portrait has been commissioned by an anonymous Dutchman. The artist says he is depicting Sir Winston as an optimist, who one time said that in the darkest time of war he was an optimist.—Express Photo.

SUDAN REVOLT

GUARD AGAINST REFUGEES

Kampala, Sept. 4. ONE company of the King's African Rifles has been stationed at Elsugum in the northern provinces of Uganda to control the border area in case of further disturbances in the Southern Sudan.

Further small parties of Northern Sudanese have crossed the border after escaping the mutiny of Southern Sudanese troops over two weeks ago.

Two men from Kapoeta reached an administrative post at Moroto after a journey of several days through a country where local tribes are frequently at war with one another.

Planes of the Sudan air force are conducting aerial reconnaissance along the Uganda border in an attempt to locate mutineers who are still missing.

Under the new Sudan refugee law, the Government must be brought into some specific collective arrangement in Asia, but the timing will depend upon the closer development of Japan's relations with other non-Communist countries.

"These countries still have a more or less stand-off connection with Japan which inhibits the United States from going forward with the collective security idea."—United Press.

Report On Coloured Workers

London, Sept. 4. Light on the social problems created by the steady flow of West Indian workers into Britain will be thrown in a report the first of its kind—which is being prepared by Dr Clarence Senior, an expert on Latin American immigration, and Mr. Douglas Monk, son of the Chief Minister of Jamaica.

"Whoever negotiated in that spirit would break up the chances of an agreement," Herr

Oltenhauer said.—Reuter.

SAFEGUARD GERMANY'S INTERESTS

Hanover, Sept. 4. Herr Erich Ollenhauer, West German Opposition leader, said today he hoped this week's Moscow visit by Dr Konrad Adenauer, the Chancellor, would not have the effect of making German reunification more difficult.

"Both sides must be ready to find a way to reunification," the Social Democrat leader declared in a speech at Bad Muenster, near here.

The interests of Germany and the free world must be safeguarded in a manner consistent with Russia's desire for security, he said. A constructive solution was impossible if Germany remained a part of the Western security system.

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Earl Of Home Lands In New Zealand

Auckland, Sept. 4. The Earl of Home, British Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, said on his arrival here today that the essence of Commonwealth relations was personal contact.

Lord Home said he had no particular mission in New Zealand, but hoped to meet leading persons, including the Prime Minister, Mr. Sidney Holland, the Governor-General, Sir Willoughby Norrie.

He would discuss Commonwealth security, finance, trade and defence.

Lord Home goes to Wellington on Tuesday for a State luncheon, before leaving for Australia on Wednesday.—Reuter.

Re-establish 1937 German Borders

Bonn, Sept. 4.

THE WEST GERMANS—Bonn
Party demanded in an article, published by its press service today, the re-establishment of the German-Lithuanian border is under Russian rule.

had begun his expansion elsewhere.

The press service article, written by Herr Frank Selbott, a Bundestag (lower house) member, said a future peace

treaty would have to settle the fate of the Sudetenland and Memel, which it said, were incorporated into the Reich by agreements good in law. The Sudetenland, which had been annexed, was now under

agreement is now part of Czechoslovakia again. Memel

UNLIMITED LEAVE

Cairo, Sept. 4.

Brigadier-General Abd El Fattah Hassan, Egyptian Deputy Minister for Sudanese Affairs, has been given unlimited leave.

General Hassan was an aide of Major Sabri Salem, former Minister of National Guidance and Sudanese Affairs, who recently resigned.—France Presse.

8 Die In Floods

Clouded Real, Spain, Sept. 4. Eight persons died and ten were injured when a flood, which had been caused by a burst of the River Guadalquivir, swept this Andalusian village. At least 20 buildings were damaged. The flood, which was the most serious in the area for many years, was caused by a

Export Of Worn-out Shoes

Copenhagen, Sept. 4.

Denmark has started a new line in exports, namely in old, worn-out shoes. The ultimate buyers are inhabitants of Africa's underdeveloped areas.

It was explained that in countries where there are few teeth, there is a great shortage of leather, which has to be supplemented by imports. The shoes are sent to Belgium, where all leather parts are utilised again with rubber or plastic sole and exported to Africa.—China Mail Special.

WITH SHELLY ROHDE IN MOSCOW LIFE IN TWO ROOMS FOR A COUPLE

A RUSSIAN woman's place, with contemporary Swedish furniture, all modern, is the one place in which she feels secure from the outside world.

And a foreign visitor in the Russian home is a rare and privileged being.

The protective wall that surrounds each home is an intangible thing.

You can dine with the Russians, dance with them, debate with them. You can meet them anywhere—anywhere but in their homes.

I hit that wall so often in Moscow that I began to wonder if the people were ashamed of their homes. Now I am ashamed of myself for the thought.

It is an honour for a foreigner to be invited—invited, mind you—to meet the people in their little sanctuaries.

Her pride

YES, I did go into a Russian home. I went there as a friend of the young couple who invited me. And I went there on the understanding that this was a personal visit, not to be written about. I am not going to write about it.

I was promised another visit too—to the home of a hotel floor manageress and her journalist husband. But the painters and decorators were in, so they decided: "Next time you will visit us."

Proudly, Maria Kropotkina described to me the home I could not see.

It is small apartment in the centre of Moscow, a home such as many other families have. It is not in one of the new skyscraper blocks that are mushrooming up on the outskirts of the city. Those are lavish

In her kitchen Maria has a washing machine, a refrigerator, and a gas cooker.

The washing machine is a small one that cost her, some years ago, 300 roubles (approximately £30); the fridge was double that price.

She has an electric floor polisher for the shining wooden floors—that cost 200 roubles (£20)—and a de-lux vacuum cleaner that cost about £60.

But it is not Maria who does the cleaning. She works six days a week from 9 a.m. to six. She has a maid living in whom she feeds and keeps and pays the princely sum of 2,000 roubles a month (£200) pocket money.

The rooms, now being redecorated, are painted light cream to offset the heavy, Russian-style, red wood furniture—inherited from her mother.

The curtains are long and thick; the carpets are colourful.

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Shopping in Moscow

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"Not only trespassing but listening to a confounded band instead of cricket!"

London Express Service

THE GIRL and THE HAT

EXPERTS on dress and costume claim that changes in fashion are not merely fortuitous but reflect truly the manners, morals and psychology of their period. A curious incident that once happened to me almost persuades me the experts are right.

I saw the girl for the first time at the Rond Point of the Champs Elysees. She walked with all the silken elegance of a pedigree saluki, the sort of Parisienne one expects to see in Paris and occasionally does.

But before describing her any further perhaps I should explain how I came to be sitting in a jeep in the centre of Paris on that beautiful August day in 1944.

On the 25th, the fighting men of the Wessex Division had forced a crossing of the Seine at Vernon, and by the 28th the rest of the British Second Army was pouring through this gateway and on towards Amiens and Brussels.

In one week they liberated the whole of Flanders, and the inhabitants of that ancient battleground began to realise that for just this once they were to be spared the agonies of a protracted struggle. They signified their approval with no reticence whatever, and the Second Army benefited accordingly.

But the men of Wessex sat where they were and rested for five days, and for the headquarters and staff of a division, rest periods during a campaign are times of increased activity. This is as it should be, but among those strenuous days there was one that I managed to keep as a holiday.

The evening before, news had come that Paris was free, and by dawn I was driving south down the dusty white road. Presumably I obtained leave, since no court-martial ensued, and all I can remember is the sunshine and the fresh morning air, the cloud of dust behind me and the joy of complete irresponsibility.

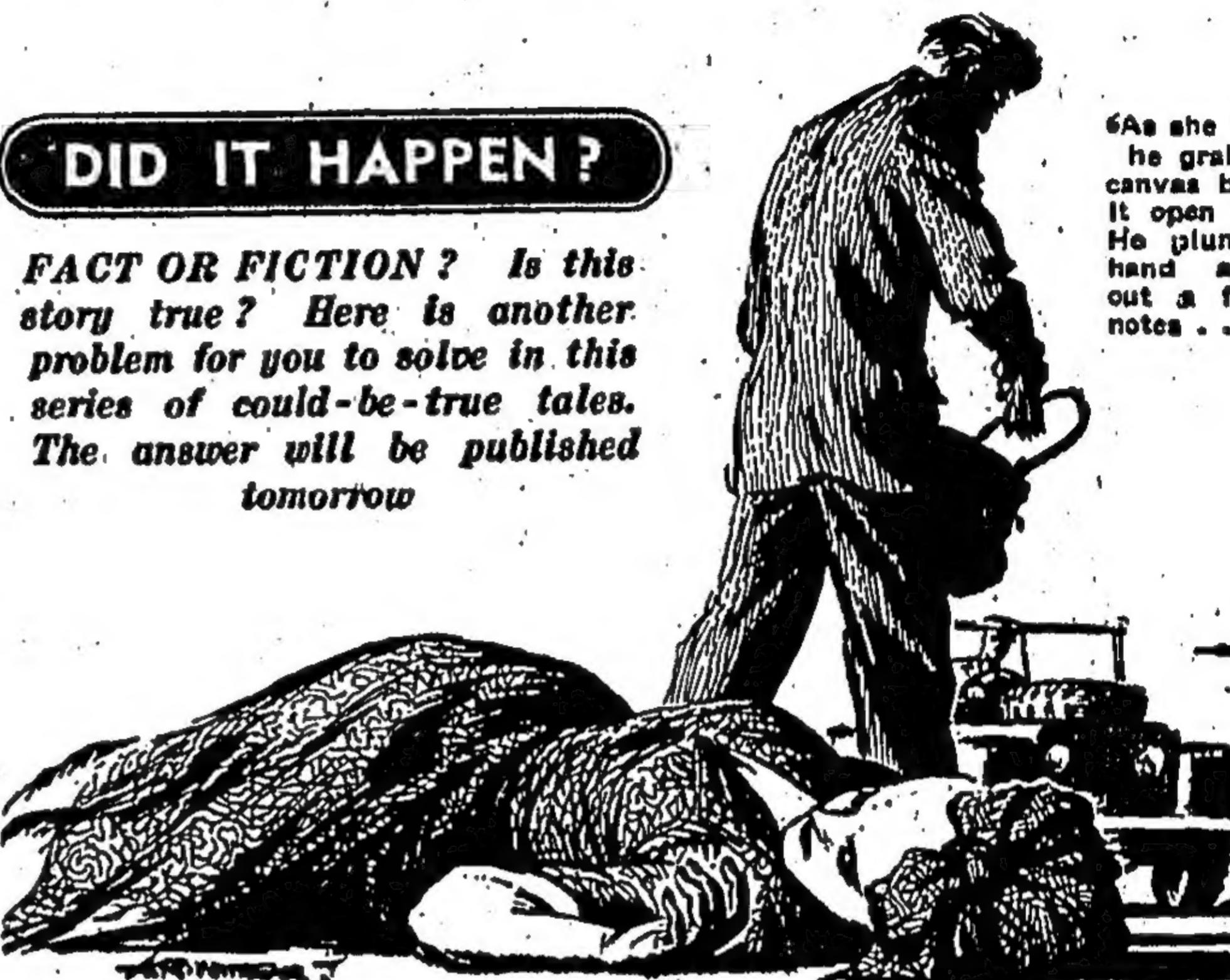
Weaving in and out among the strollers were the young men and women on bicycles, the incessant ringing of whose bells was the dominant sound above all others; a merry little carillon announcing the end of oppression.

The youths were brown and lean in their striped singlets; the girls were wide, bright-patterned skirts that floated around them, and, on their heads, those ridiculous two-foot high turban hats that for this brief season were all the rage. These enormities began high on the forehead and came down low on the back of the neck, completely covering the hair and giving to each woman that wore one the comic appearance of a Turk. Pasha in a New Yorker cartoon.

There were flags everywhere. Each window and lamp-post carried its tri-colour or Cross of Lorraine;

DID IT HAPPEN?

FACT OR FICTION? Is this story true? Here is another problem for you to solve in this series of could-be-true tales. The answer will be published tomorrow



"As she went down he grabbed at the canvas bag, zipping it open as he ran. He plunged in his hand and drew out a fat wad of notes . . ."

"But you must. Only as far as Mantes, I must go at once . . . I've had bad news."

I hesitated, and she watched me with painful eagerness. There was, after all, no reason why I should not take her as far as Mantes. It could do no harm and she was clearly in trouble...

She must have seen in my face that I would agree, because without another word she climbed into the jeep and not until we were moving did she say thank you.

She held on her knees a canvas bag, one of the sort that closes with a zipper, and when I offered to put it in the back she politely refused. At first I tried to talk, but all she would say was: "Quicker! Please go quicker." I accelerated a little, but not too much; I was leaving Paris and Heaven knew when I should see it again.

So when it happened it was easy for them.

We had just turned into the Bois when they came from behind and passed us—three men in battered open Renault which the driver, swinging round and pulled up, completely blocking the road.

Running hard

I trotted on everything and looked up to find that the second man was aiming a rifle very steadily at my head. The girl had jumped out almost before we stopped and was running hard, but the third man caught her in 10 yards and hit her on the neck with the edge of his hand.

As she went down he grabbed at the canvas bag and came back to the Renault, zipping it open as he ran. He plunged in his hand and drew out a fat wad of notes of high denomination by the look of them. The bag was full and must have contained a great deal of money.

The driver laughed exultantly and backed the Renault clear of the road. The man with the rifle indicated that I was to drive on. I did so, but first I looked back again at the girl, who lay where she had dropped, and I heard her moaning faintly.

Cropped head

The turban had fallen off and I saw that now she had no hair at all. Her head was cropped and shaved to the bone.

Since that day I have often thought about these grotesque, all-enveloping hats and it seems possible that the costume experts may know what they are about. For this was the only year these hats were worn, and it was also the year that all over France the punishment of a cropped head was inflicted on women who were known to have collaborated with the enemy...

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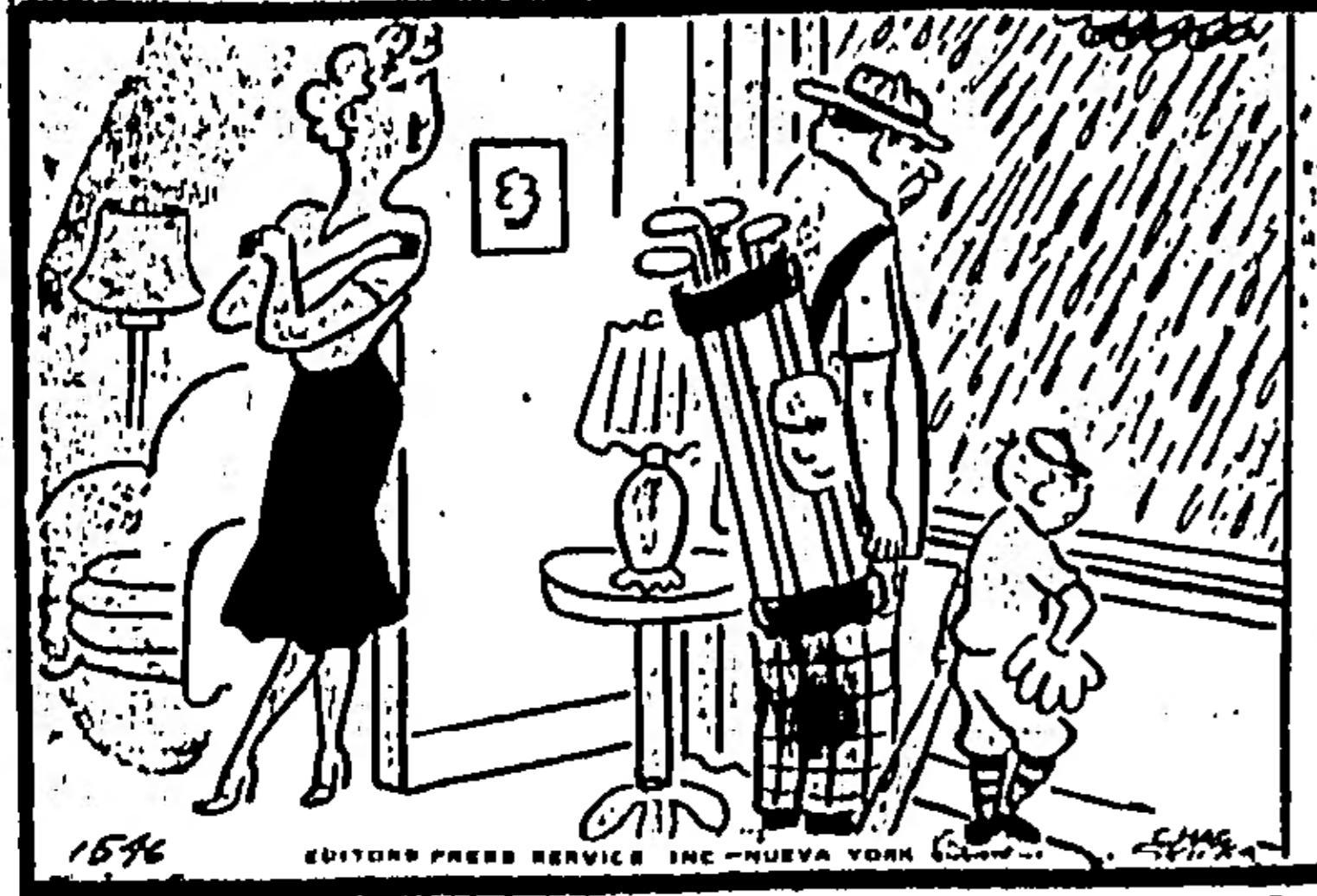
DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES **NO**

For more tickle the people above and bring this issue by next week—when the answer will be given—via another story this series by Charles Landstone.

Did yesterday's story—The Horse With No Name—by Harry Parker—make any impression on you?

"I can't do that."



"But it is a lovely afternoon for eighteen holes of 'cleaning-out the attic' and nine innings of 'straightening up the basement!'

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

ONCE every seven years the chairman of the Tyne Improvement Commission is entitled to bestow a kiss upon a local girl while beating the bounds.

This year, according to a follow commissioner, the chairman chose for his salutation a lady who turned out to be an employee of the commission. Thus has led to questions: "Will it give the commission a bad name?" Will it improve the Tyne?" Not since the treasurer of the Lower Worples Catchment Board and Reservoir Authority issued a laundress employed by the board has there been such a hullabaloo and brouhaha. No wonder Missie Scorpioner is becoming so wary.

Bravo, the children!

CHILDREN who have been warned so repeatedly against dangers of playing in the streets, or even crossing a road, probably thought that if there was any place where they could play at their ease it was a beach. They reckoned without the motorists, who converted a stretch of Cornish sand into a sort of race-track. Instead of writing angry letters to the papers, parents and children dug a trench to protect themselves from these pests. If this interference by pedestrians with beach motoring continues, we shall have a concerted howl from the motorists suggesting children should be banned from the sands to make the sea-shore safe for motorists. Let the children play somewhere else.

A dream comes true

The flower-seller who married a Latin-American millionaire, now she wears a gold-braided admiral's hat.

(Gossip column.)

THERE'S a "success" story for you! Many a humble girl in cheap lodgings will say, "That might happen to me!" Why, I'd settle for just a silver-braided admiral's hat!" And imagine the pride of her old mother when she can say to her friends, "Lottie's got a gold-braided admiral's hat. Nekropoulos spoils her, putting such ideas into her head." And think of the party in the parlour when Lottie returns, and everyone says, "Do put on the hat, Lottie!"

The telecopter

IN time, no doubt, the Strablis- tis telecopter will have a seat attached to it, so that a viewer will be able to hover about the rooms with the screen continually before his eyes. A woman busy about the house will be able to watch the programmes in comfort as she goes from room to room. Smaller screens for nurseries will enable the children to ride round and round, a few feet from the ground, while they enjoy the entertainment provided specially for the under- twos by the Superjuvenile Telecopter Council.

TARGET

THE NEW WORD GAME

L	A	C	How many words, or plural, foreign words, or proper names, TODAY'S solution can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In each square, one word, or letter, must be used once only. Each word must contain the large letter in the centre square. There must be at least one nine-letter word in the
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YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

BORN today, you are capable of building a small business into a large enterprise—and patron of the arts. An early marriage will bring you the greatest happiness. Wed someone who understands your temperament and then work together for some common goal. In achieving it together, you will find exceptional contentment.

YOUR ideals are high and you have a keen intellect. Fond of the delights of the mind, you cannot be completely happy unless you have some cultural interest that runs parallel to any business enterprise you may have an interest in. You have a great deal of enthusiasm, which can be transmitted to others. You may not feel that you have adequate artistic talents, but you always will encourage those who do. If you encourage those who do.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Curb extravagance, even if it is difficult. You'll want that money for something more important later.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Meeting new people may prove a real source of inspiration and encouragement to continue onward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Someone interested in your future can give you excellent advice. You might be wise to listen.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Showing a co-operative spirit can be advantageous just now. Accede to the requests of others.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Avoid committing yourself on any important point of information unless you are positive of your facts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—There may be discouragements today, but if you keep working at the job, they will evaporate.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)—Don't let emotions get out of control for one instant or you will regret it. Be very discreet.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)—Be thoughtful and kind with all others, for there may be those who need your encouragement just now.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May. 20)—Read all the fine print in any contract presented for your signature. Know what you're signing.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Cue Bid Alters Slam Convention

BY OSWALD JACOBY

THAT isn't anything to the play of today's hand. South has 13 of the surest tricks ever seen. The only problem is in bidding the grand slam.

When the hand was actually played in a recent team match, one team stopped at only six spades. The South player found out that his partner had only one ace, and he was afraid that it would be the ace of hearts instead of the ace of spades. Failure to bid the grand slam cost this player 750 points.

Was there actually any good reason for this player's caution? There shouldn't be if the two partners are good bidders and trust each other. The secret lies in the use of the Blackwood Convention after cue bid in the enemy's suit.

If South jumped to four no-trump at his second turn, he would be asking only this simple

NORTH (D)			
♦	A Q 10 3		
♦	9 4		
♦	K Q 6 2		
♦	K J 5		
WEST	EAST		
♦ J 4	♦ 3		
♦ Q 10 8 5 2	♦ A K J 7 6 3		
♦ 10 8 5	♦ 7 3		
♦ 10 9 4	♦ 7 0 2		
SOUTH			
♦ K 9 8 7 5 2			
♦ None			
♦ A J 3			
♦ A Q 8 3			
Both sides vul.			
North	East	South	West
1 ♠	1 ♥	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	4 N.T.	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	7 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

question: "Partner, how many aces do you hold?" North would respond five diamonds, showing only one ace, and South would have a problem.

When South took the trouble to make a cue bid in hearts, the enemy's suit, and then made the Blackwood bid of four no-trump, his question was very different: "Partner, how many aces do you hold outside of hearts?" If North bid only the ace of hearts, he would have to respond five clubs, showing no ace. The actual response of five diamonds showed one ace—outside of hearts.

Knowledge of this convention made it easy for the successful team to bid the grand slam. It was clear that North had the ace of spades and a sound opening bid. There was bound to be a fine play for the grand slam.

The models shown will come from the Collections of the top designers. In the various countries, France, for example, will be represented by Christian Dior, Pierre Balmain and Jean Patou. British models will be represented by Norman Hartnell, John Cavanagh, Michael, Ronald Paterson and Michael Sheridan. Elegance and Cesare Guidi will show for Italy and Rodriguez for Spain.

The models shown will include suits and coats, afternoon dresses, sportswear, cocktail dresses and evening wear. All will naturally be made of wool in fabrics ranging from jersey through worsteds, novelty wools, face cloths, doilies, flannels, tweeds, and printed wool, to wool lace and batiste, an Irish speciality.

Of London Fashion Designers:

They are: Britain, Belgium, Germany, Holland, the Irish Republic, Italy, Norway, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.

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—China Mail Special.

NEW MODEL BY JEAN PATOU



"Gag", a simple dress of grey tweed, made in the line of Jean Patou's Autumn-Winter Collection. Note the draped effect which emphasises the bustline.—Agence France-Presse.

WOMANSENSE

"Flying Fashions" Make Their Debut In Canada

London. "FLYING Fashions" are the latest dream-come-true of this air-minded age.

From September, a Canadian woman will be able to buy coats, suits and dresses made to her own measurements by a leading London Model House designer and delivered ready to wear to her in Canada as quickly as she would get it if she ordered it in Birmingham, Manchester, Glasgow—or even

what he hopes will become regular biennial "Flying Fashions" collections. At fashion shows for customers of the Hudson's Bay Company stores in Vancouver, Victoria, Edmonton, Winnipeg and probably Toronto, he will explain the new lines presented in his latest collection of coats, suits and dresses. Afterwards, he will answer questions from his audience.

He himself thinks that the last feature is the most important of all. "For," he adds, "who wants the most exclusive and the most exquisite models, even at a low price, when they are already out of date?"

The collection which Mr Banks is taking to Canada with him features all the latest trends seen in the Couture Collections now being shown to buyers and clients in London and Paris and photographs of which have just been released.

Tunic Models

There is special emphasis on the tunic line which recurs again and again in all the top fashion collections for the winter. The collection which Mr Banks is taking to Canada includes some charming tunic line suits in new Scottish tweeds or original novelty fabrics, such as one which is woven with one wool thread and one velvet thread.

With the long straight line and tunic effects which women will be wearing this winter, the made-to-measure part of the venture is particularly advantageous. The present line depends so much on perfect balance that it is impossible to achieve it by buying a model off the peg and "taking it in" or "turning up the hem." As for the waist, if it is not in the right place, it is almost impossible to change it, since the line runs right through from bust to hem without a seam.

For women who like a "label" in their clothes, the service will have an added attraction. Each garment ordered and delivered under the new "Flying Fashions" service, will bear a distinctive label reading: "Arthur Banks Model shown from England by B.O.A.C. Monarch."

During September, Mr Banks himself will launch the first of

THE FIRST OF ITS KIND

An International Wool Fashion Festival

London. The Festival is the first of its kind to be organised by the International Wool Secretariat and will represent a comprehensive survey of European fashion.

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Another up-to-the-minute model, in a printed wool novelty mixture, features the long line which runs straight through the waist without seam or belt and flows almost imperceptibly into fullness at the back.

A full-length evening dress, in the palette of baby blue satin, cut on much the same line with long panels gradually widening into fullness for the floor-length skirt, is at once youthful and sophisticated.

The season's feeling for the Empire line is also represented in the collection. Perhaps the most striking interpretation of this comes in a floor-length evening dress in Cloth of Gold woven from unbreakable and colourless Lurex thread. The skirt, falling almost straight from below the bust, is closely pleated and forms a contrast of line with the bias pleated "bare top" bodice.

Ninety-eight percent of the fabrics used in this collection are of British manufacture and design.—China Mail Special.

Dior Two-piece



Cricket the Barber was outside his shop.

Knaf and Handi were certainly glad to know that Pixie O'Cop was in good health and would soon be back at his old post at the corner of Clover Street and Morning Glory Boulevard but upstairs!

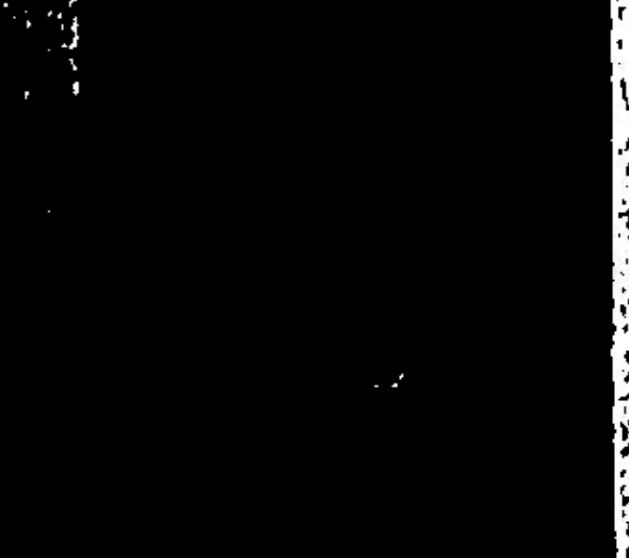
And Pixie O'Cop pointed to a fine young mole with a brown uniform and dark glasses.

Rupert and Dinkie—11



At the sound of the voice Rupert turned and saw his friend, Guide Beryl. "Was that you calling?" he asked. "I heard you and wondered if you wanted me." "Well, no," says Beryl. "I was really calling Dinkie, my mate away. Perhaps you'll help a bit." "I'll help," says Beryl.

—AGREEABLE



This two-piece ensemble, called "Grenade", consists of a dress and

SURREY DOES IT AGAIN; TRIUMPH NO. 4 BEARS SURRIDGE STAMP

By ALEX BANNISTER

Surrey are the County Cricket Champions again.

Completing an innings victory over Sussex at the Oval they won the title for the fourth successive season, thus equalling the record of Yorkshire who did it twice (1922-23-24-25 and 1937-38-39, and 1946) and Nottinghamshire (1883-84-85-86).

And skipper Stuart Surridge catches up with Yorkshire's Brian Sellers—and Alfred Shaw, of Notts—in leading his team to the Championship four seasons running. While Seller's era lasted 15 seasons—and there is no telling how many consecutive titles Yorkshire might have won but for the war—Surridge has held the captaincy only four seasons.

RUMANIANS BEAT SWANSEA

London, Sept. 3. Although the Rugby Union season has not officially got under way, the visiting Rumanian team have opened their short tour and shown the high standard of the game which exists in their country. They beat Swansea by 10 points to three.

Swansea were the first team to play Rugby behind the Iron Curtain when they visited Bucharest last summer and lost one of two games there. Sixty thousand people who watched that match proved the popularity of the game.

The Rumanian fifteen today, drawn from the best club sides in Bucharest, showed power, pace and skill which should fully test Cardiff and the Harlequins whom they are to meet in the next seven days.—Reuter.

Other Results. London, Sept. 3. Rugby Union results to-day were:

	International	side	35
Blackheath	14	Birkenhead	11
Cardiff	20	Abertillery	10
Ebbw Vale	10	Coventry	10
Clyde	6	Harrow	10
Gosforth	10	Northampton	10
Headingley	10	Northumbria	10
Lancaster	10	Brigdon	10
Llanelli	10	Penarth	10
Newport	10	Taunton	10
Palinton	10	Wales	10
Plymouth	20	Wales	10
Prestonpool	20	Wales	10
Sale	10	Wales	10
Wenton-super-Mare	10	Halifax	10
Masties	0	Cross Keys	0
		D. Silks	22
		bridge side	22
		Reuter.	

Indian Hockey Team Defeats Berlin 4-3

Hockey, Sept. 3. The Indian hockey team to-day beat Berlin by four goals to three.

About 4,000 spectators saw the Indians' triumph. The crowd cheered the clever technique of the Indian players who played good, fast hockey. The Indians started fast and within the first five minutes had made the score 2-0 in their own favour. After 25 minutes play, the scores were India 4—Germany 0.

But with a corner and a bully the home team scored two goals before the half-time whistle blew.

In the second half, the Indians attack hard, but the German defence stood firm and the visitors could not get through. In the 68th minute, a second corner gave the German team their third goal. The Indians certainly deserved their win.—France-Press.

Geoffrey Duke Wins Italian Grand Prix

Monza, Sept. 4. The 500 cc Motor Cycle Championship in the Italian Motor Cycle Grand Prix meeting here today was won again by Geoffrey Duke of Britain with 80 points. A fellow Briton, Reg Armstrong, was second with 30 points, with Umberto Masetti (Italy) third with 10 points and Giuseppe Colnago (Italy) fourth with 13 points.—France-Press.

DYNAMO WINS

Milan, Sept. 4. Moscow Dynamo football club today beat Milan Italian First Division Champions last season by four goals to one after Milan had led by their goal at half-time.

A crowd of 80,000 watched the game, which was a return fixture for Milan's visit to Moscow last July when Milan won by four goals to two.—China Mail Special.

Can Surridge and Surrey go one better next year and create a new record? Surridge is not yet certain whether to carry on. He told the crowd massed in front of the pavilion that "it gets harder every year."

His present intention is to talk over his future with the committee. But there seems little doubt the club will be keen for Surridge to continue. For one thing Peter May, his successor, is almost sure to spend most of next summer helping England defend the "Ashes."

Surridge, too, has created such a wonderful team spirit, and set such a standard of efficiency

that Surrey will not willingly waste these priceless assets. This is no reflection on his successor, but team spirit has to be built up.

EDGE IN ATTACK

I cannot see in seasons immediately ahead either Surrey or Yorkshire relaxing their hold at the head of affairs. Both teams have brilliant cricketers and adequate reserves, but Surrey have the edge in attack. And, as Surridge commented:

Individual performances often account for much, but once more a splendid team spirit has pulled us through. I see no reason why we should not hold the title again.

The strain is greater and the excitement more intense near the end of each summer, but our team spirit should serve us well again in the future. Surrey have a lot of good young players coming along, notably Harrington, Sweetman, and Loader. Yet we must not forget the "old war horses" and Alec Bedser is still the best of them.

Many imagine that because Surrey's resources are so strong the team are capable of capturing themselves. I do not share that view, because Surridge's enthusiasm and leadership are the reasons why Surrey remain at the top. Actually, the team are unbalanced. The batting is dark and often fragile.

FROM YORKSHIRE

When Norman Yardley who relinquishes the Yorkshire captaincy at the end of the season, was told of Surrey's victory, he said: "It constitutes them on a point and proclaimed themselves as South-east Asia's boxing champions.

A surprising feature was Hongkong's brilliant recovery. Starting from scratch Hongkong was the only country with a blank scoreboard at the end of the second day's programme last Wednesday—Hongkong's boxers put up a hard fight to win 11 points and push the Philippines to fourth place with 10 points.

BIGGEST SURPRISE

Probably the biggest surprise last night was the defeat of the Philippines' Alejandro Ortoste in the bantamweight class by W. Culver of Singapore. Ortoste, who was very highly praised by local boxing critics and called the "best boxer fighting in the South-east Asia championship," was tipped to win the title.

The Philippines' second disappointment came when Mauro Diaz was beaten by Ceylon's H. P. Jayasuriya in the feather-weight event.

The remaining Filipino, Coleodino Espinosa, then took the ring in the lightweight event against Burma's Maung Myint. It was an easy win for Espinosa. With two terrific punches, he had the Burmese to win the Philippines' first gold medal. The fight lasted just three minutes.

The last three events were won by Hongkong's boxers. Dinning knocked out Singapore's Williams.

Hongkong's other boxers kept up the fight and won the lightweight and heavy events. Hongkong's Gao Postle could not keep his date and trainer J. Tye took his place. In the ring to win against Singapore's P. Key.

The final scoreboard: Singapore 14, Burma 13, Hongkong 8, Philippines 10, Ceylon 8, Australia 4—France-Press.

Italian Boxer Disqualified in 9th Round

Dortmund, Germany, Sept. 4. Italy's European Heavyweight Champion Francesco Cavicchi tonight was disqualified in the ninth round of a scheduled ten-round exhibition match against German Helmut Neuhaus.

Referee Bergström of Holland disqualified the Italian for "un-sportsmanlike" and "unclean fighting" in the ring.

Neuhaus was declared winner over Cavicchi on account of disqualification.—United Press.

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PREPARING FOR VALDES



Don Cockell, British Heavyweight Champion, training at Eastbourne for his contest against the Cuban, Nino Valdes, at White City on September 13. Jack Gardner, the British challenger, has had to undergo an operation.—Central Press Photo.

The Penalty Of Being Fairbanks

By RODERICK MANN

Douglas Fairbanks came swinging into the lounge of Claridges and collapsed on to the settee beside me. He was wearing a grey pin-stripe, a club tie—and sporting a dark-red carnation.

"I have," he observed, "had just about enough."

We ordered soft-drinks. No ice. Said Fairbanks, television film-maker, businessman, party-goer, unofficial American diplomat and top-level charmer:

"I am what they call a natural target. So I suppose I must put up with this kind of thing."

"This kind of thing" is the story—now widely circulating in London and New York—that he and Noel Coward are feuding savagely. Because (it is said) Fairbanks burnt a hole with his cigarette-end in Coward's best carpet.

While we sank our drinks I recalled the other barbs which have kept Fairbanks busily ducking for the best part of two years:

(a) The allegation that he used the Queen's private visit to his home in 1952 to gain publicity.

(b) The jibe that he is a poseur—so much in love with his medals that he wears them on all occasions.

(c) The claim that he is the Hillary of social-climbers.

UNTRUE

All of these stories, Fairbanks denies. Rightly—for they are untrue.

He helped himself to a pile of crisps, viewed me in his most diplomatic fashion:

"I cannot win. Even when I introduce Marlene Dietrich in cabaret, I get criticised. And I assure you it hurts—for I've got a skin like tissue paper. That's why I could never have been an active politician."

He finished the last of his drink.

"When I'm working, I get home at 9 p.m. and have a tray sent up to my room. Then I work on scripts till midnight. When I'm having fun, I have fun. When I'm socialising, I socialise. I've never lived harder in my life. What's so terrible about that?"

SOCIAL SUCCESS

Nothing of course. But Fairbanks is that unusual creature—the actor who has made an outstanding social success. And for that many actors and socialites cannot forgive him.

Fairbanks has just cancelled his plans to join Elsa Maxwell's cruise of the Aegean Islands this summer. Perhaps anticipating the success, for the cruise-members are to meet the Queen of Greece.

Instead he will concentrate on preparing his television films for showing on the now commercial networks.

He flashed a white smile: "I can't get into too much trouble by doing that," he said. "Unless, of course, people just don't like the films."

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Motor Racing At Donington Park In 1957

Motor-racing is to return to the famous Donington Park circuit in 1957 after an interval of 18 years. The Army are expected to waive the 700-acre park owned by Major Gillies Shiel early in 1957, and plans have already been prepared to transform it into England's most important road racing circuit with a lap length of 4½ miles—a mile more than pre-war, when meetings used to attract crowds of 50,000.

The plans also include the erection of new grandstands and the opening of spacious workshops for British car manufacturers interested in the development of new racing car designs.

Donington, Hall, 17th century mansion of 80 bedrooms, is being turned into a hotel and clubhouse for drivers, officials and visitors.

LADIES' BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP

Results of Colony Ladies Open Singles Lawn Bowls first round matches played on Sept. 1 and 2 were:

Mrs. M. Goodyear beat Mrs. S. A. Duffield 22-10 at RCC; Mrs. E. Tuck lost to Mrs. Phoenix 16-21 at PRC.

The Story of Lovely Sophia Loren. Part 1.

One of the world's most beautiful girls (but no man has ever been out with her alone!) she loses a contest and then gets her chance to join these lush ladies of the Screen who loathe the very sight of each other.

Volcano With The Honey-Coloured Eyes

By HENRY THODY

Rome.

Sophia Loren is a girl who could easily, I do not hesitate to predict, land any man in the world. And in her gay, light-hearted way she loves to turn the power of her natural charms on men (taxi-drivers, cops, newspapermen like myself too) and see them become mice!

Yet Sophia is not married—not even engaged. Does not have a regular boy-friend, in fact.

No man has ever had a date with Sophia alone. Date her for dinner and she brings either Mama (still quite a girl), or sister Marin, 16, herself a startling beauty being groomed for stardom.

So I wasn't surprised, when Sophia invited me up to her luxurious penthouse apartment, to find Mama very much in evidence.

It was only right that Mother should be on hand when Sophia related her life-story, for here is a girl who can really say: "I owe it all to Mama." It was Mama who started Sophia on the path to stardom by entering her at the age of fifteen in a beauty contest.

When asked if she spoke English she said "No."

"I realised later I should have said 'Yes.' I could have learned my lines by heart."

BEAUTY QUEEN

Every Italian star—La Lollo, Silvana ("Blister Rice") Mangano and others—got her start by winning a beauty queen title.

Sophia did not win. She came second. And herein lies a story. It was the "Princess of the Sea" contest, staged in Naples. The Lorenzos (or the Solcolone family, to give them their real name) lived in a small fishing town on the lovely Gulf of Naples.

Roy followed. The Hollywood director was in Rome to produce the epic "Quo Vadis." He immediately said he had a role for Sophia. But Sophia made a mistake. She told the truth.

When asked if she spoke English she said "No."

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LIKE A CHAMPION

She did not repeat the error. When offered a role with Steve Barclay in "Africa Undersong," her first big chance, she was asked if she could swim. "Like a champion," she replied.

"Actually, although I have always lived by the sea, I could not swim a stroke. When I had to dive in deep water I went straight to the bottom. Steve Barclay saved me from drowning. But in two weeks I could do the crawl."

When "Africa Undersong" hit Italian and French screens, the

members are reminded that Members of The Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on Monday, 5th September, 1955, at 5.45 p.m.

By Order of the Stewards, A. E. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd Sept., 1955.

Straight from Paris —

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Les Compagnons de la Chanson

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Butler Calls Meeting Of Finance Ministers

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET REVIEW

New York, Sept. 4. A long list rose 1 to 4 points on the week in the New Stock Exchange, and a few stocks lost up to 7 points in the high-priced International Business Machines. Railroads made a gain, closing the week at 157.40 up 29 cents. Utilities were up 3 cents at 66.30 in their average.

Copper shares encountered some profit-taking that left some of them lower on the week, notably Magna which lost 2½ points.

Steels were strong all week as the demand for steel picked up with new buying anticipated from the flood areas where rehabilitation soon will be underway on a big scale.

Oils did little more than hold their own with the exception of a few issues, notably Lion which gained 4½ points on the week. Goodrich was up 4 in the tyres and General Railway signal 6 points in the rail equipments.

Chemicals Up

Chemicals rose with Union Carbide, Procter & Gamble led the soap section with a gain of nearly 5 points and also helped raise the industrial average of which it is a part. Montgomery Ward rose more than 3.

Liquors were given a whirl late in the week, featured by Distillers Corp., Seagram which netted nearly 5 points on the week. Aircrafts followed United Aircraft higher after the latter declared a 40 per cent stock dividend.

Trading on the week fell off from the previous week but was up two weeks ago.

Trading volume for the five-session period totalled 9,062,000 shares; daily average was 1,812,404 shares. In the previous week, the total was 8,795,170 shares, or a daily average of 1,759,034 shares. —United Press

Ceylonese Mission

Tokyo, Sept. 5. A nine-member Ceylonese Government trade mission headed by Shirley Corso, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Fisheries, arrived in Peking on Sunday by air, the Communist Chinese radio announced.

It said the Ceylon delegation was met at the airport by high Chinese officials and Mr. J. M. Addis, Counsellor of the British Charge d'Affaires' office. —United Press.

German Chemical Sales Mount

Bonh, Sept. 4. The West German chemical industry today reported sales of 6,700,000,000 marks for the first six months of this year, an increase of 800,000,000 marks over the figures for the first half of 1954.

The increased sales figures went along with a production step-up of ten per cent for the entire industry.

The chemical industry in the Federal Republic now ranks third in total turnover, close behind the machinery industry (9,000,000,000 marks), with the food industry (11,400,000,000 marks) in first place.

Exports were increased in the first half of 1955 by about 18 per cent over the 1954 six-month figure. More than 1,030,000,000 marks of the sales figures came from foreign buyers.

The Chemical Industry Association said that despite the prospect of rising prices, mostly in world markets reflected the good competitive position of the German manufacturers.

It said the most sought-after German products were important chemicals for industrial use and plastics in raw forms. —United Press.

UK INFLATIONARY TENDENCIES AFFECT STERLING AREA

From Ronald Boxall

London, Sept. 4. Chancellor Butler has called a special meeting of Commonwealth Finance Ministers. This will take place later this month in Istanbul when the Ministers gather for the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund.

Whether it is a crisis or merely a troublesome period that Britain is now going through it is equally the concern of the other sterling area countries. For the two main symptoms in Britain are declining gold and dollar reserves and the deterioration of the United Kingdom balance of payments. And as these vitally affect confidence in sterling it is obviously right that the views of the other Commonwealth countries should be heard while the problem is still tractable.

Although it is difficult to alarming rate and this, of course, concerns the other members of the sterling area as much as it does Britain. But we are not experiencing simultaneously.

The reason for this is that while Britain has struck a difficultly patch in its economic affairs the rest of the sterling area does not at the moment appear to be suffering to the same extent. In volume their imports and exports make up over half of the sterling area total so what is happening to these countries' trade must be taken into account in any assessment of the present situation.

In the first place the higher bank rate automatically increases the cost of servicing the floating portion of the national debt. And since an important part of this involves payments overseas (in the form of interest on sterling balances invested short-term loans to the British Government) it adversely affects the country's balance of payments. This "external" cost of the last two increases in the bank rate has been put at £30 million a year. This would rise to £100 million if the bank rate were raised to six per cent.

Quiet trading at firm prices briefly summarised the picture in grey goods and finished cotton goods markets this past week.

The long weekend Labour Day vacation handicapped new interest as traders became increasingly holiday-minded.

However, there was an increased desire to wait and see how retail business develops after the summer season is over before manufacturers formulate future merchandising plans.

A few mill executives thought business would hold in the present quiet pace for a few weeks more. By that time, garment manufacturers will have to begin to consider inventory replacements, and the re-orders may be coming in on recently-shown autumn lines. Sales of finished wash goods to the cutting-up and wholesale trades were being maintained at a heavy rate.

Mills meanwhile maintained a firm attitude on prices. Resting on a substantial order backlog, manufacturers bent most of their efforts to filling orders on hand meeting requests for hurried shipments.

Industry leaders were concerned about the fate of mills located in the flood-devastated areas of New England. There was a question as to how many plants will reopen. —United Press.

The reluctance to buy rather than any strong desire to sell has been a feature throughout the market. Gold shares advanced, but this was mainly due to buying by Paris as a hedge against further fall in sterling. Copper shares showed on profit-taking despite the fact that the metal reached a record of £400 a ton during the week.

Nothing, it seemed, could induce London investors to buy—not even the disappearance of premium on dollar stocks the first time since dealings in these securities restarted after the war.

Against this background, there was small wonder that the week's big public issue flopped spectacularly. Underwriters had to take up no less than 97 per cent of £25 million of five per cent unsecured loan stock 1960-70 offered by Allied Bakers at £97 10s. New stock optioned on Friday at 90s discount, and fell to 90s by the day's close.

U.S. RAW COTTON EXPORTS

New York, Sept. 4. Raw cotton exports by destination as reported in bales by the New York Cotton Exchange for 1954-55 season, up to Aug. 27, were as follows:

Britain 8,207
Continent 41,850
Orient 30,267
Canada 12,441
Total for season 117,718
Same period last year 109,003

—United Press.

East German Coal And Coke Plant

Berlin, Sept. 4. Communists East Germany has started building a billion-dollar coal and coke production plant near Hoyerswerda, 80 miles southeast of Berlin, the Communist press announced today.

But this so-called "monetary weapon" does not produce an immediate effect. Indeed some economists doubt whether it has any effect at all. The difference of one or two per cent for bank lending will not necessarily persuade businessmen from expanding their activities on borrowed money during a period of economic boom.

But obviously there must be some point at which the cost of borrowing money becomes so high that businessmen are forced to cut down their spending. The question is, however, whether there is more to be lost than gained in raising interest rates up to this height.

Increases in the bank rate have two distinct and often undesirable effects. On the former, the most important is that (in theory at least) it reduces spending

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Balances done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$920,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARE BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS UK Bank 1700 1725 20 60 1715 2 1710

INSURANCES Union 1010

SHIPPING Waterboat 23

DOCKS, ETC. Docks Wharf 27.80 1000 60 27.60

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Appeals By Drug Possessors Rejected

Declaring that the offence of dealing in heroin and possession of heroin in large quantities was one which was regarded with utmost seriousness by the Court, the Acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice T. J. Gould, sitting as President of the Court of Appeals this morning rejected the appeals against sentence brought by Cheung Chung-li, alias Cheung Ka-fat, and Chu Sau-cheong.

First appellant was convicted of two charges of possession of heroin and one count of dealing in heroin, and sentenced to five years. Second appellant was found guilty of possession of heroin and received three years.

Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Mr K. Y. Yung of Zimmer and Company appeared for the appellants. The Crown was represented by Mr. Desmond Mayne, Crown Counsel.

The Court of Appeals comprised Mr Justice Gould and the Acting Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice J. R. Gregg.

Mr Yu said that it would be noticed on the file that both appellants had given notice to appeal against conviction but Counsel had since received instructions to abandon the appeal against conviction and to ask leave of the Court to treat the appeal as one against sentence.

Counsel said that both appellants were convicted of possession of heroin and first appellant was further found guilty also of dealing in dangerous drugs.

He said that the facts as outlined by the Crown were clearly set out in the Judge's notes and briefly he said, they were that first accused met a person by arrangement and came to an understanding about dealing in dangerous drugs. Later on, the first appellant having left the meeting place was seen to return to it with the second appellant and holding a suitcase. The two men were accused by the Police and in the suitcase was found 700 grammes of heroin.

ON HEAVY SIDE

First appellant was sentenced to five years and second to three years and Counsel submitted that it appeared that so far as the second appellant was concerned the sentence was on the heavy side.

Mr Yu said that second appellant had a clean record until his conviction. The only evidence against him was that he was holding the suitcase when arrested.

Counsel said that he was instructed that only last week a similar case was brought before a Kowloon Magistrate, the charge being possession of 700 grammes of heroin. The accused in the case was sentenced to six months.

Mr Yu further submitted that possession of dangerous drugs was not so serious a crime as possession of arms and Counsel cited a case in which a defendant found guilty of arms possession was given three and a half years in the District Court. As far as second accused was concerned, Counsel submitted that the sentence was excessive.

PART AND PARCEL

With regard to the first appellant, Mr Yu said that the additional two years given was perhaps for dealing in dangerous drugs. Counsel submitted that the charge of dealing in dangerous drugs was all part and parcel of the possession charge. Possession must, he submitted, be for the purpose of illegal dealing.

Counsel said that the evidence of the Police Constable was the only evidence in relation to the dealing charge. It was the constable who had approached the first accused for the heroin. In other words, Counsel submitted that the approach came from the Police in the first instance. If that was the reason why first appellant was given a heavier sentence, Counsel would submit that there was some ground for a reduction. He admitted that first appellant had a previous conviction for similar offence. He was then sentenced to one month.

Mr Yu asked the Court to take into consideration that five years appeared to be a heavy sentence for an offence of this nature. He said that if he were asked what he would suggest as alternative sentences he would submit that one year for the second appellant and three years for the first would be ample in the circumstances.

QUAKE ROCKS SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Sept. 4. A strong earthquake rocked San Francisco tonight.

There was no immediate indication of damage or casualties.

Coalpit Collapses

Graz, Austria, Sept. 4. Six miners were buried when part of a pit collapsed in Voitsberg, the Austrian police said. Rescue squads hoped to save all the men. Communication by knocking the pipe was established.—United Press.

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Sir Cecil Sugden, Commander, British Forces, HK, inspecting a locating unit of 173 Battery RA. (left to right standing) Gen Sugden; Major L. G. Stringer OC; and Brigadier L. N. Cholmeley CRA (HK).—Staff Photographer.

General Watches Novel Mock Battle

Lt-Gen. Sir Cecil Sugden, Commander, British Forces, Hongkong, watched a heated gun battle on the borders of the New Territories this morning from a small operations room on Hongkong Island connected by radio and field telephone to units of 173 Locating Battery RA.

These sent in reports of a heavy bombardment of positions held by the Second Gurkhas and Seventh Gurkhas, by two "enemy" batteries.

Units of the locating battery reported the initial flash of hostile guns and charted their positions all along the front.

Later the "enemy's" forward guns were silenced, it was reported, by counter battery work and by a Gurkha counterattack, and the bombardment continued by long range "enemy" guns at a greater distance.

However, neither Gurkhas nor guns, nor the New Territories were involved.

General Sugden left the command post and walked about 50 yards to see the units of the Locating Battery locating the flashes of electric torches on an opposite hillside about 100 yards away.

The pattern of flashes recorded was charged on a transparent grid, under which lay a map of the New Territories and the dispositions of our own and what was known of the hostile forces.

THE ONLY UNIT

General Sugden was received by Lt-Gen. Sir Cecil Sugden, Commander, British Forces, Hongkong, who inspected the guard, and the Battery drawn up on parade. He also saw over the unit's new barracks rooms and was shown a demonstration of the unit's work in action.

It is the only unit of its kind in the Far East.

Another important use for locating units not in action is as a service unit to other artillery units—for which it uses its high precision recording instruments to test the accuracy of "calibrate" their guns.

The latest equipment for locating batteries includes sound equipment, by which a complex machine working through outlying microphones, plots the exact point of an explosion. A member of the unit said that this equipment is expected here shortly.

FINED \$250

Lu Yan-ting, 38, of no fixed address, was fined \$250 or 50 days by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning when he was found guilty of possessing dangerous drugs and a paper heroin pipe, and breach of a bond.

The prosecution said on September 2, Sub-Ins. Lee Chun-fai and several policemen stopped Lu at the corner of Smithfield Road and Forbes Street at about 11.30 p.m. and found he was carrying the pipe and drugs in his shirt pocket.

As Lu could not explain the origin of these articles, he was taken to the Police station where he was later charged.

PIRACY OFF LANTAU

700 Taels Of Gold Seized

A motor fishing junk, which was sailing off San Lau Point last Wednesday, was boarded by pirates who made off with \$184,000 worth of gold.

The junk was at the southwest corner of Lantau Island when a fast moving launch pulled up alongside and seven Chinese boarded the junk.

Some of the men immediately made their way to where 700 taels of gold had been stored and transferred the gold to their launch.

Afterwards, some of the pirates smashed the engine of the junk and slashed the sailing ropes before they made off in their launch.

The disabled junk drifted towards Macao, where, during the week-end, the crew members reported the piracy.

SOLICITOR

ILL

The well-known solicitor, Mr. M. A. da Silva, suffered a relapse from a recent illness and went into hospital yesterday. It was learned this morning.

In the Victoria District Court this morning, Mr. P. D. Remedios, asked Judge J. Reynolds for an adjournment of the trial of Urban Council Health Ins. Chan Tai-yu who has retained Mr. Silva's services.

Chan faces two counts of corruption—receiving money from Kwan Kan for not carrying out his duties in November, 1954 and June this year.

His trial was adjourned once before to this morning owing to Mr. Silva's illness but on the application of Mr. Remedios, it was further postponed to November 21 at 9.30 a.m.

FEELINGS AND BELIEFS OF WITNESS RULED AS NOT EVIDENCE

Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions this morning ruled that evidence of the feelings and beliefs of a Prosecution witness in a rape trial was not admissible and was irrelevant.

His Lordship gave his decision after hearing legal submissions from Counsel on both sides in the absence of the Jury, who had been told to leave temporarily.

On their return, Mr Justice Scholes directed them accordingly on this point. He recalled that at Friday's hearing, the witness concerned had said he felt "displeased" about a certain matter.

The accused are Ng Wai-kee, alias Ka Tsui, 20, unemployed; Ng Chun-choi, 21, unemployed; Chan Kwok-yau, alias Yau Tsui, 18, office boy, and Chow Kau, alias Ah Kau, 20, car cleaner.

In the first count, first accused was alleged to have raped a 24-year-old dance hostess, Li Kwok-ying, alias Hung Mei, on June 1, while the other three were alleged to have aided and abetted in this offence.

The second count alleged that second accused raped the hostess, and first accused with aiding and abetting him.

In the third count, that of forcible detention, all the accused were alleged to have detained complainant against her will with intent to know her carnally.

All four men are defended by Mr V. L. J. D'Alton and Mr K. S. Gill, both instructed by Mr W. H. Young. Mr D. N. E. Rea, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector Jones.

The four youths allegedly lured the hostess from the Sing Ping Ballroom with a false story about a friend of hers and then took her to the Shan Kwong Hotel, Happy Valley, where the offences were alleged to have been committed.

CONTINUES EVIDENCE

That friend of complainant's, Wan Yuk-sang, was the subject of His Lordship's ruling this morning.

After the Court's ruling, witness went on to say that the complainant and the four accused continued walking down the road in Happy Valley. The accused had previously fetched him from his house.

During the walk, fourth accused told him: "I have brought you a girl. How is it you have not one word to say?" Witness said he did not reply.

First accused pointed out a door to him, saying: "Don't you look like this piece of wood?"

He replied: "Yes, I know nothing."

Witness said complainant then asked him if it was true that he was not going to Borneo. (Complainant had given evidence that first accused had told her this.)

He answered he was not going to Borneo, and asked complainant in turn if she thought he was in the habit of telling lies.

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From Our Files

100 Years Ago

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Sir,—Feeling sure that you will kindly find space in your columns for the following few remarks, I beg to offer them for publication; and although coming from a humble individual, I am confident they will prove to be the universal sentiments of shipowners and shipmasters in this colony.

The great grievances of which I shall speak (for such they really are), are the ruinous system allowed to be carried on in the manner of shipping crews, and the farce which the law terms "punishment" for any breach of duty on board ship, is say allowed to be carried on, for surely much might be done that is left undone by the proper authorities to advance the shipping interest of the colony.

In instance of the latter point; a crew cannot be obtained, even for a coasting voyage, without three months' advance down on the nail, and wages at a most exorbitant rate have to be paid for the greatest trash in the shape of seamen that ever put foot on board ship, without pay or advance.